Welcome to Crownpoint Chapter

NAVAJO NAME: T'iis ts'ooz nideeshqiizh (Narrow Trees In Canyon [Or Gap]

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CROWNPOINT **CHAPTER**

Navajo name: T'iis ts'óóz nídeeshgiizh also page 2 Interpretation: Narrow trees in Canyon (or gap)

Indian Population: 1980 Census: 1,295

> 1990 Census: 2.468 2000 Census: 2,468

Estimated land size: 67,363.91 Acres Land Management District:

GOVERNMENT

Number of Chapter NTC delegate(s): 1

Delegate(s) shared with:

Nahodishgish (Dalton Pass) Chapter

Becenti Chapter

Number of police officer(s): Navajo Police district office covering Chapter:

Crownpoint District

Tribal offices that provide services within Chapter:

Senior Citizens Center Comm. Health Rep. Women, Infants & ChildrenDept of Head Start Local Governance Support Center Elections Office

Tribal Motor Pool Water Development

Emergency Medical Techinicians Tribal Land Office

Dept of Workforce Development NTUA

Land Administration Office Nav Housing Authority Navajo Housing Services Navajo Law Enforcement Division of Social Services Department of Headstart Navajo Tribal Enrollment Services (Vital Records)

Navajo Nation Child Support Enforcement

Chapter Administration

MEDICAL

Hospital(s) where most Chapter people go:

Crownpoint Indian Health Care Facility Crownpoint

EDUCATION

No. of Schools:

Pre-School/Head Start (Units I, II, III) 3

Kindergarten to 8th High School

Technical School

Community College Total enrollment by school (Fall of 2003): School Enrolled Dine' College 150 Crownpoint Inst of Technology380 Crownpoint High School nr Crownpoint Junior High School nr Crownpoint Elementary 355 Community School (BIA) 508 Pre-Schools Units I, II, & III

COMMUNICATIONS

No. of computers available for public use at Chapter: 10 No. of public payphones in the community: Regular TV reception; stations received:

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Call Letters Town

KOB(F) ABQ (Farmington), NM KOAT Albuquerque, NM **KRQE** Albuquerque, NM FOX Albuquerque, NM

Clear AM radio stations received:

Call Letters Town KTNN Window Rock, AZ KOB Albuquerque, NM KNDN Farmington, NM KYVA Gallup, NM Gallup, NM KGAK **KHAC** Tse Bonito, NM

Clear FM radio stations received:

Call Letters Town

Albuquerque, NM KRST Albuquerque, NM KZRR KKOR Gallup, NM KXTC Gallup, NM

Newspaper received within the Chapter:

Name of Paper Town

The Independent Gallup, NM Navajo Times Window Rock, AZ The Messenger Gallup, NM The Daily Times Farmington, NM

Courier services within the chapter:

United States Postal Service United Parcel Service Federal Express

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Baseball Field Outside Basketball Court **Outside Tennis Courts** Library Rodeo Arena Fairgrounds

PUBLIC FACILITIES

No. of Office spaces at Chapter3

EQUIPMENT (Maintained by Chapter)

Farm Tractor

SCENIC ATTRACTIONS

Mesas & Plateaus for Hiking Deer Hunting in nearby Mesas/Plateaus

CROWNPOINT CHAPTER (Continued)

CIVIC

Churches:

Name of Church Est'd Membership
Christian Reform 100
St. Paul's Catholic Church 200
Church of Latter Day Saints 100

Indigenous:

Traditional Navajo nr Native American Church nr

COMMERCIAL

Available establishments in the Chapter:

Gas Stations 3
Convenient Stores 3
Super Market 1

TRANSPORTATION

Paved airstrip available within Chapter. Paved roads through the chapter area: State of New Mexico Route 371 Navajo Route 9

Distances to:

Agency: Crownpoint 0 miles
Window Rock 66 miles
(via Navajo Route 9 & Yatahey)
Grants, NM 53 miles
Gallup, NM 58 miles
(via Thoreau)
Albuquerque, NM 130 miles

MAJOR EMPLOYERS No. of

Name of Employer Employees
Navajo Tribal Utility Authority 18
Navajo Housing Authority 16
Crownpoint Community School - BIA130
Gallup McKinley Couty Schools 55
The Child Development - Head Start 172

LOCAL NATURAL RESOURCES

Uranium Coal Water

COMMUNITY/COOPERATIVE FARMING

None

BRIEF OVERVIEW OF CHAPTER

Written history of *T'iis ts'ÛÛz nÌdeeshgiizh* dates back to 1907. A man by the name of S. F. Stacher founded a school house. Much later, the first BIA School was established, with a trading post around the same time. The Navajo people have maintained their culture and heritage, including continued practice of native religion, which still plays an important and powerful role in the day-to-day life of

Navajos. The Crownpoint community is located in the northwestern region of New Mexico and in the mid-southern part of the "Checker-board" area. It is located approximately 125 miles northwest of Albuquerque, New Mexico. New Mexico State Highway 371, goes through Crownpoint, connecting with Farmington (82 miles to the north) and with Thoreau, New Mexico (24 miles to the south). The completed highway has added traffic volume by 125% since 1980.

The Chapter was certified in 1965. In the last ten years, a new hospital, a new high school, a shopping center, and gas stations have been built. Governmental offices have been expanded and a new airport was built 3.5 miles west of the community. Crownpoint was heavily impacted and demand for utility services increased tremendously during the 1970s when several uranium mines were in operation near and adjacent to the community. In response, utilities were expanded, including the construction of larger water and waster water facilities. The temporary boom also assured faster realization of other community service needs, including the paved airstrip, the training center (CIT), and a shopping complex. Due to the international market shifts in the processing of enriched uranium, the early 1980s saw all local uranium mines close. As a government administrative and commercial center, Crownpoint serves surrounding communities with needed services and consumer goods.

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